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## Office Action Summary

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Applicant(s)

CULP ET AL.

Examiner

Mark E. Wallerson

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### Period for Reply

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 3 MONTH(S) OR THIRTY (30) DAYS, WHICHEVER IS LONGER, FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION.

- Extensions of time may be available under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). In no event, however, may a reply be timely filed after SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
- If NO period for reply is specified above, the maximum statutory period will apply and will expire SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
- Failure to reply within the set or extended period for reply will, by statute, cause the application to become ABANDONED (35 U.S.C. § 133). Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of this communication, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).

### Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 08 August 2005.
- 2a) ☒ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☐ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

### Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-18 and 21-36 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☐ Claim(s) 1-18 and 21-36 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

### Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on \_\_\_\_\_ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
- Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
- Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

### Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some \* c) ☐ None of:
- ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
  - ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. \_\_\_\_\_.
  - ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

\* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

### Attachment(s)

- 1) ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3) ☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08)  
Paper No(s)/Mail Date \_\_\_\_\_
- 4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)  
Paper No(s)/Mail Date \_\_\_\_\_
- 5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
- 6) ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Part III DETAILED ACTION**

*Notice to Applicant(s)*

1. This action is responsive to the following communications: amendment filed on 7/12/05.
2. This application has been reconsidered. Claims 1-18 and 21-36 are pending.

*Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102*

3. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(e) the invention was described in a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention thereof by the applicant for patent, or on an international application by another who has fulfilled the requirements of paragraphs (1), (2), and (4) of section 371(c) of this title before the invention thereof by the applicant for patent.

The changes made to 35 U.S.C. 102(e) by the American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA) and the Intellectual Property and High Technology Technical Amendments Act of 2002 do not apply when the reference is a U.S. patent resulting directly or indirectly from an international application filed before November 29, 2000. Therefore, the prior art date of the reference is determined under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) prior to the amendment by the AIPA (pre-AIPA 35 U.S.C. 102(e)).

4. Claims 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Czyszczewski et al (Czyszczewski) (U.S. 6,577,907).

With respect to claims 1, 6, 24, and 31, Czyszczewski discloses detecting an image to be scanned by a scanner (20) associated with an Internet receiver (25) (column 6, lines 29-49);

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scanning the object to produce an image of the object (column 8, lines 40-67) and transmitting it via an internet receiver (25) (column 7, lines 26-40) by automatically detecting the image (column 7, lines 12-25); automatically acquiring the image in electronic format (column 8, lines 40-67), and performing by the Internet receiver at least one function with said image (forwarding or storing) in said electronic format via said Internet receiver (column 7, lines 26-47).

With regard to claims 2 and 3, Czyszczewski discloses performing the at least one function comprises automatically performing at least one pre-selected function (storing) (column 7, lines 26-40).

With respect to claims 4, 5, and 17, Czyszczewski discloses performing a final scan after performing at least one function (editing) and displaying the image (column 7, lines 41-47 and column 8, lines 40-67).

With regard to claim 7, Czyszczewski discloses the scanner is linked to the Internet receiver via a unidirectional or bidirectional link (30 and column 5, lines 51-57).

With respect to claims 9 and 10, Czyszczewski discloses the scanner is housed together with the receiver in a set-top device or display device (column 5, lines 40-50 and figure 1).

With regard to claim 11, Czyszczewski discloses code for automatically setting-up the scanner for operation via the Internet receiver (column 6, lines 21-49).

With respect to claims 12, 13, 14, and 18, Czyszczewski discloses part of the computer readable program code is downloaded to the Internet receiver from a network site on an as-needed basis (column 6, lines 35-49).

With regard to claim 15, Czyszczewski discloses manually selecting the function (column 7, lines 26-33).

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With respect to claim 16, Czyszczewski discloses editing the image (column 7, lines 47-65 and column 8, lines 43-67).

With regard to claims 21, 22, and 34, Czyszczewski discloses editing the image (which reads on processing the scanned data) (column 7, lines 47-65 and column 8, lines 43-67).

With respect to claims 23, 29, 30, and 35, Czyszczewski discloses scanning a photograph (column 5, lines 30-40).

With regard to claim 25, Czyszczewski discloses performing manual configuration of the scanner (column 7, lines 12-25).

With respect to claim 26, Czyszczewski discloses receiving personal information of a user (column 7, lines 12-25).

With regard to claims 27, 28, and 36, Czyszczewski discloses the Internet receiver (25) comprises a bay in which the scanner is insertable by a user (25B, figure 3).

With respect to claim 32, Czyszczewski discloses e-mailing the image (column 7, lines 12-25).

With regard to claim 33, Czyszczewski discloses sending the image to a web page (Internet address) (column 7, lines 12-25).

### ***Response to Arguments***

5. Applicant's arguments with respect to claims 1-18 have been considered but are moot in view of the new ground(s) of rejection.

*Conclusion*

6. Applicant's amendment necessitated the new ground(s) of rejection presented in this Office action. Accordingly, **THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL**. See MPEP § 706.07(a). Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire **THREE MONTHS** from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within **TWO MONTHS** of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not mailed until after the end of the **THREE-MONTH** shortened statutory period, then the shortened statutory period will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated from the mailing date of the advisory action. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than **SIX MONTHS** from the date of this final action.

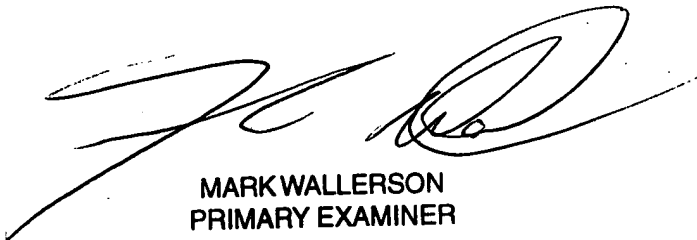
Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Mark E. Wallerson whose telephone number is (571) 272-7470. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday - 6:30-4:00.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Kimberly Williams can be reached on (571) 272-7471. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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